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IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to notify you of fresh violations of the provisions of the cease-fire that were committed by the Iranian side during the period 19 February to 24 March 1993.

1. At 1000 hours on 19 February 1993, the Iranian side completed construction of the Iranian post at coordinates 346447, 300 metres from the international boundary line.
2. At 1020 hours on 22 February 1993, the Iranian side manned the new post to the south-east of the Ayn al-Abd post at coordinates 285469 with a force of 10 to 15 troops. A wireless antenna was erected and an Iranian flag hoisted over the post.
3. At 1910 hours on 23 February 1993, a group of individuals from the Iranian side estimated at 12 persons was observed digging slit trenches at coordinates 514501, 500 metres from the international boundary.
4. At 0800 hours on 24 February 1993, the Iranian side proceeded to erect a 6-metre-high metal observation tower at coordinates 563486.
5. At 1040 hours on 26 February 1993, the Iranian side installed an observation cabin on the tower mentioned in paragraph 4 above and it was manned by four military personnel. The tower is 200 metres from the forward perimeter of the Iraqi units.
6. At 1040 hours on 6 March 1993, a khaki-coloured Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear at low altitude towards Majnun al-Janubi at coordinates 548436. It then headed towards the Ghuzayyil area and landed at coordinates 8036. At 1100 hours it returned to the Iranian rear.
7. At 1115 hours on 7 March 1993, a group of an estimated seven Iranians was observed inside the area of separation erecting barbed wire opposite the Iraqi units at coordinates 426576.

8. On 13 March 1993, six Iranian military aircraft penetrated Iraqi airspace and attacked a civilian hospital in the Raniyah area of Iraq causing damage to the hospital and leaving a number of dead and wounded (see document S/25473).

9. At 1230 hours on 14 March 1993, a group of individuals from the Iranian side estimated at five persons was observed carrying out maintenance work on the positions opposite the Fakkah post inside the area of separation at coordinates 517505, 900 metres from the international boundary.

10. At 1150 hours on 24 March 1993, a khaki-coloured Land-Rover pick-up truck was observed coming from the Iranian rear. It came to a halt at coordinates 517506 opposite the Fakkah post. Five Iranian soldiers alighted from it and proceeded to erect a communications station inside the area of separation, 950 metres from the international boundary.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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